

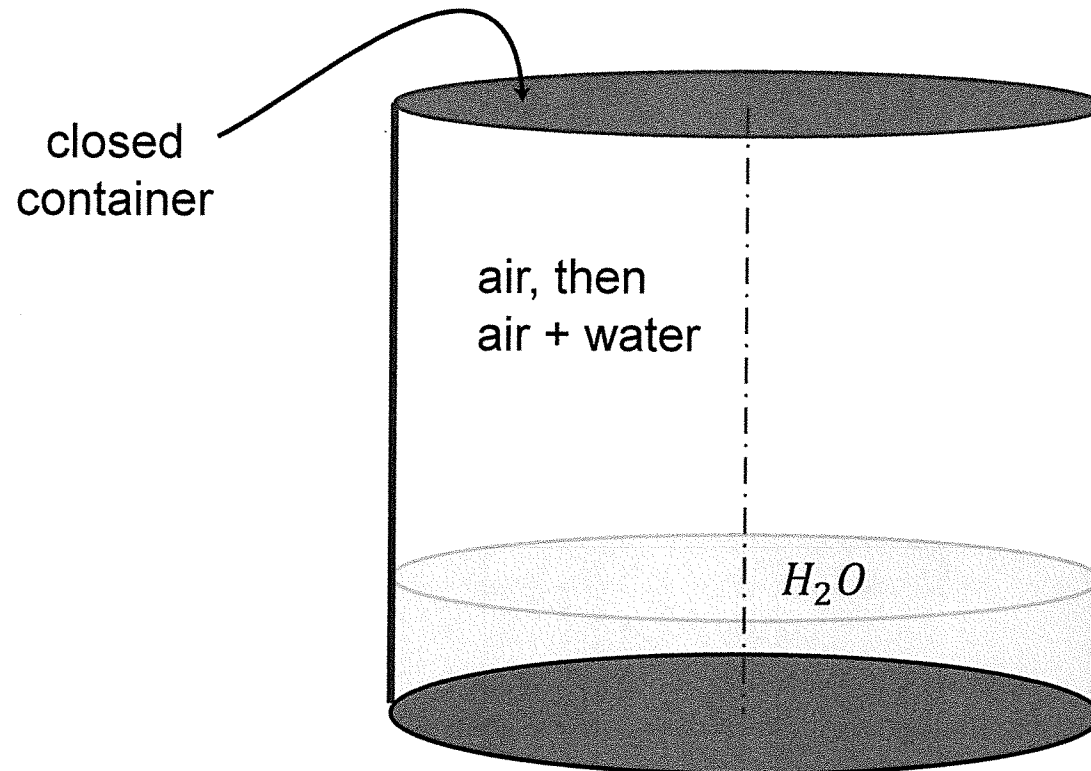
EXAMPLE 8

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Unsteady Macroscopic Species A Mass Balance

Example: Bone dry air and liquid water (water volume = 0.80 *liters*) are introduced into a closed container (cross sectional area = 150 cm^2 ; total volume = 19.2 *liters*). Both air and water are at 25°C throughout this scenario. Three minutes after the air and water are placed in the closed container, the vapor is found to be 5.0% saturated with water vapor. What is the mass transfer coefficient for the water transferring from the liquid to the gas? How long will it take for the gas to become 90% saturated with water?

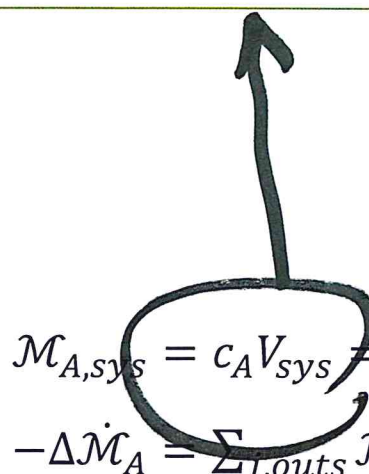


Unsteady Macroscopic Species A Mass Balance

accumulation = net flow in + production + introduction

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\mathcal{M}_{A,sys}) = -\Delta \dot{\mathcal{M}}_A + R_A V_{sys} - \sum_i (N_A S)_i$$

no flow
no flow
no flow
no flow
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no flow



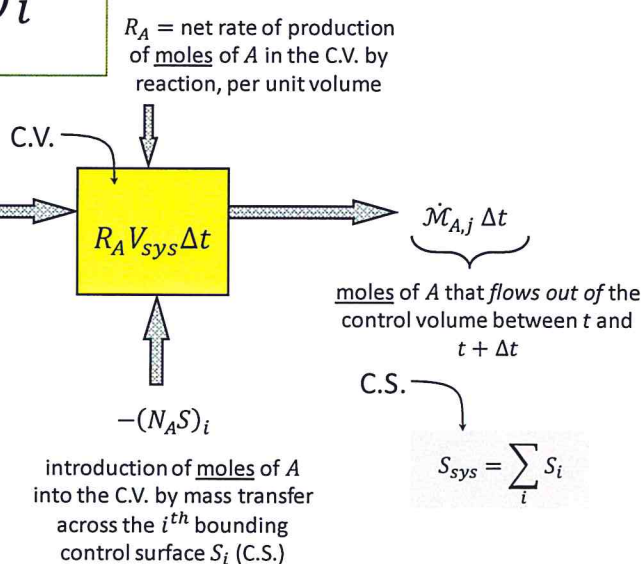
$\mathcal{M}_{A,sys} = c_A V_{sys}$ = total moles of A in the C.V.
 $-\Delta \dot{\mathcal{M}}_A = \sum_{j,outs} \dot{\mathcal{M}}_{A,j} - \sum_{j,ins} \dot{\mathcal{M}}_{A,j}$

R_A = net rate of production of moles of A in the C.V. by reaction, per unit volume

V_{sys} = system volume

N_{Ai} = molar flux of A out through the i^{th} C.S.

\hat{n}_i = outwardly pointing unit normal to i^{th} C.S. of area S_i

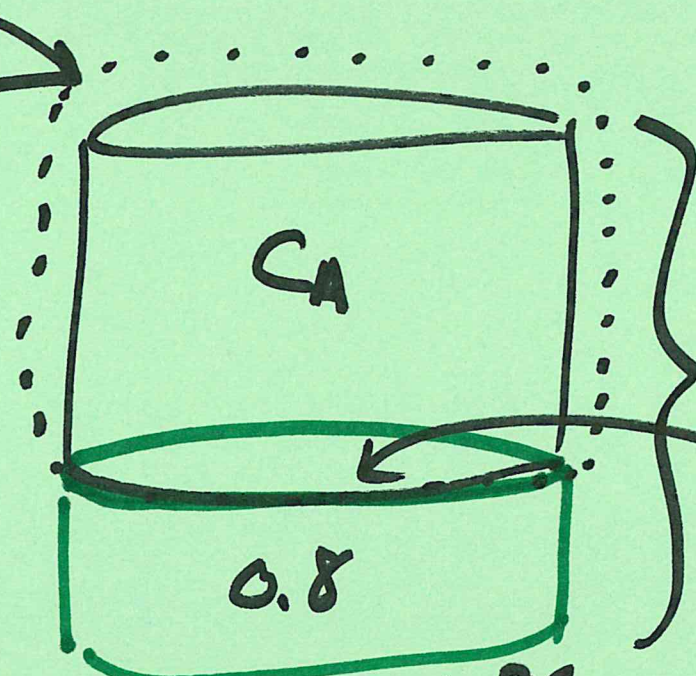


$S_{sys} = \sum_i S_i$
 Δ is "out"- "in"
 C.S. = control surface
 C.V. = control volume

Choose

CV =
AIR in
the
container

" "
A = H₂O



25°C, 1 atm (2)

saturated

$$C_A^* = \frac{P_A^*}{P} = \frac{P}{RT}$$

150 cm²

constant

$$\frac{d}{dt} (C_A V_{sys}) = -N_A S$$

$$t=0 \quad C_A=0$$

not
constant

3

$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} = - \overbrace{N_A}^{\text{in}} \frac{S}{V_{\text{sys}}}$$

↑
moles
area time

flux
in
due to
mass
x fr

$$= -N_A = \underbrace{k_c (C_A^* - C_A)}_{\text{linear driving force model}} \frac{S}{V_{\text{sys}}}$$

$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} = \underbrace{k_c}_{\text{assume constant}} (C_A^* - C_A) \frac{S}{V_{\text{sys}}}$$

SOLVE:

$$\int \frac{-dC_A}{C_A^* - C_A} = \int \frac{k_c S}{V_{sys}} dt$$

(integration const.)

$$-\ln(C_A^* - C_A) = \frac{k_c S}{V_{sys}} t + \Phi_1$$

IC: $t=0$
 $C_A=0$

$$-\ln C_A^* = \Phi_1$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{C_A^*}{C_A^* - C_A} \right) = \frac{k_c S}{V_{sys}} t$$

BUT need k_c ??

⑤

We cannot answer the question asked unless we know k_c .

BUT, if k_c is constant, we can use the 3-minute data to calc k_c .

after $t = 180 \text{ s}$, $C_A = 0.05 C_A^*$

\Rightarrow solve for k_c

then, answer the Question about 90%.

Answer: 2.3 h.